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TOM DALY'S COLUMN

SINCE PATSY SHAY'S A SCOUT
I uster run wit' Patsy Shay
W'en him an' I was small,
But since he's got religion, say:
He's proud as hellenall!

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SPEAKING OF MANNERS, WE CAN SIT

at our own dinner table and see a great lack of 'em. One of our roughnecks backed away from a plate that had been emptied of three helpings of everything on Thanksgiving Day and started out of the room without so much as "by your leave."

"JOHN!" CALLED HIS MOTHER, STERNLY

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"WILL YOU PLEASE," WRITES J. T.

"send me a rhyme with reference to Christmas, as I am a messenger boy and want to take a collection." Very well, son, try this on 'em:

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